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(57) Abstract: The present invention relates to pharmaceutical compositions comprising antigenic molecules for use as vaccines for the treatment and prevention of neurodegenerative disorders and diseases, such as Alzheimer's Disease. The invention further relates to methods for the use of such pharmaceutical compositions as immunotherapeutic agents for treating and protecting against such neurodegenerative disorders and disease.

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